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GERMAN VENEZUELAN ATTITUDE A CHALLENGE TO THE UNITED STATES

Principles of Monroe Doctrine Defied—Administration Awaits Expression of Popular Indignation, by Congress, to Take Up the Gage.

Spirit of Assurances of Mild Coercive Measures Given to American Government Violated by Bombardment of Port San Carlos.

Reported in London on High Authority That Diplomatic Representations in Regard to Attack Have Been Made by State Department.

It is very obvious that the renewal of the bombardment of Port San Carlos by a German naval force has created a sentiment of indignation throughout Administration circles. Some officials do not hesitate to say openly that the Germans have gone too far, and The Times' reporter knows that this view is shared by nearly every man of prominence connected with the executive government.

That the Germans have not violated the letter of their rights in carrying out coercive measures against Venezuela is practically admitted by the Administration. It is maintained, however, that they have violated the spirit of the assurances given to this Government in regard to the mild character of the coercive measures to be applied to Venezuela.

The feeling that the United States Government has been trifled with by Germany is becoming very general among Administration officials, who see in the drastic operations of the imperial squadron a purpose, to defy the principles of the Monroe Doctrine.

A Policy of Waiting.

For the present, however, no official action is likely to be taken by the Government. The situation was likened to day to that before the war with Spain, when the condition of friction with Spain and dissatisfaction over its course in Cuba was created by the sentiment of the American people.

It is probable, therefore, that America will remain quiescent until popular sentiment shows it the course to pursue. In this connection it is not going too far to say that it will not take much urging to make the Government call on Germany to explain the inconsistency of her bombardments with the positive assurances of a bloodless program made more than a year ago to the United States.

Confirmation of the reported second attack by German war vessels on Port San Carlos was received at the State Department this morning in a telegram from W. W. Russell, charge d'affaires of the United States at Caracas.

Beyond Mr. Russell's brief message, the department has no information on the subject. The German government has not submitted any explanation, and there is a feeling here that it will not do so.

British Non-Participation.

The failure of any British war vessel to participate in the bombardment is partly explained by the fact that Maracaibo is within the blockading district assigned to the German squadron under the joint arrangement effected at the time the blockade was put into operation. It is believed in Washington, however, that the British government was only too glad to take advantage of this condition, in order that its vessels in Venezuelan waters might not be obliged to take part in the attack on Port San Carlos.

No confirmation can be obtained of the report from London that the United States Government has made representations to the British foreign office in regard to the second attack on the Venezuelan fort. Some State Department officials deny that anything of the sort has been done, while others conservatively say that it is not probable.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

Snow or rain is probable in the upper Ohio valley and the lower lake region tonight, and in the lower lake region and eastern New York Friday; elsewhere generally fair weather will prevail. Moderate temperatures will continue in Eastern and Southern districts. The winds along the middle Atlantic coast will be mostly west to northwest and light to fresh.

Steamers departing today for European ports will have fresh westerly winds and partly cloudy weather to the Grand Banks.

TEMPERATURE.	
2 p. m. today	33
12 noon today	32
1 p. m. today	34
THE SUN.	
Sun sets today	5:19 p. m.
Sun rises tomorrow	7:12 a. m.
TIDE TABLE.	
High tide today	2:27 p. m.
Low tide today	10:20 p. m.
High tide tomorrow	4:02 a. m.
Low tide tomorrow	10:30 a. m.

SOCIETY GIRL ELOPES; ADMIRER TRIES SUICIDE

Richmond Startled by a Double Sensation.

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 22.—The elopement of the most popular debutante of the season and the attempted suicide of a prominent society young man because of it, is a double sensation over which society is astir here this morning.

The elopement occurred yesterday when Stuart Cook and Martha Ann Lundy left Richmond for Washington on an early train and telegraphed to the bride's mother at midday that they were married. The announcement was an intense surprise. Miss Lundy was in society for her first season, and the prettiest and most popular girl of her set—a beautiful blonde, and just seventeen. The groom is a son of the late Gen. John R. Cook, and nephew of Col. John Estlin Cook, the author. The bride is also distinguished line.

As a sequel to the elopement, Richard M. Ridgwood, also a prominent society young man, is in a critical condition at the Virginia Hospital with two knife wounds in the region of the heart which he inflicted on himself last night when he heard the news. It was known that he was in love with Miss Lundy, and he was thought to be engaged to her. Indeed, it is said that such an engagement did exist.

When told of the marriage last night he was in a gay party of friends, and without their knowledge drove his knife into his body twice, as deep as it would go, searching for his heart. Prompt action probably saved his life, and it is thought he will recover.

Mr. Cooke applied for a marriage license for himself and Miss Lundy at the clerk's office in this city. He gave his age as twenty-two years, and that of the bride as eighteen years.

The couple repaired to the parsonage of the Central Presbyterian Church, 517 Fourth Street northwest, where they were married about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon by the Rev. Dr. Alexander W. Pitzer, in the presence of a Mr. Cordozo, another young man and a young woman, all of whom accompanied the couple from Richmond.

TROUBLE AHEAD FOR LOAN TO THE DISTRICT

Representative Cannon Waiting Opportunity to Use His Little Ax on Measure.

A lengthy discussion on the merits of the bill to authorize the District to borrow \$10,000,000 from the Government for extraordinary improvements, was had today at the regular meeting of the House Committee on the District. Representative Eabcock, chairman of the committee, said that he was busily engaged in preparing the favorable report on the bill as ordered by the committee at its last meeting. Owing to the large amount of data necessary to enable the provisions of the bill to be set forth to the House as clearly as possible, it would be impossible, he said, to have the measure ready to be taken up in the House next Monday, District day.

Figures showing the exact condition of the finances of the District are being prepared at Mr. Babcock's request by the District Commissioners.

SUES KEENAN FOR LOSS OF HUSBAND'S SERVICES

Mrs. White Asserts That Bulldogs Caused His Death.

Hearing in the suit of Mrs. Annie White against James R. Keenan, proprietor of the Gordon Hotel, to recover \$10,000 as damages for the death of her husband, John Addison White, is on hearing in Circuit Court No. 2.

It is explained that White was employed by J. W. Gregg as the driver of a milk wagon. On July 10, 1900, it is said, he went to premises 320 Sixteenth Street northwest to deliver milk to one of his customers. The premises adjoin the Gordon Hotel, and it is stated that when White was returning to his wagon he was attacked by two bull terriers owned by James R. Keenan and bitten in fourteen places. He went immediately to the Emergency Hospital, where the wounds were cauterized. On September 12, 1902, he died. It is contended that his death was due to hydrophobia.

JUDGE PORTER RESIGNS FROM SUPREME COURT

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22.—It is stated here upon excellent authority that Judge W. W. Porter, of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, has sent his resignation to Governor Pennypacker.

ALLEGED FALSE ARREST.

Charles W. Lang today filed suit in the Supreme Court of the District against Charles M. Koonen and his wife, to recover \$3,000 as damages for alleged false arrest and imprisonment.

WILLARD HOTEL GUESTS ROBBED LAST NIGHT

Property Representing Over \$400 Stolen.

The Willard Hotel was last night the scene of a robbery, in which two guests lost property to the amount of more than \$400.

The thief is thought by the police to be someone familiar with the hotel and habits of the guests. In each case he entered the room while the occupant was absent, and took jewelry from the trunks of the owners.

The robberies occurred between the hours of 7 and 11 p. m. The rooms entered were Nos. 524 and 115, the former occupied by Henry Kahn, Indianapolis, and the latter by Martin Brauer.

MINERS' UNION LOCALS ASK WAGE INCREASE

Resolutions Submitted at Today's Meeting of the Convention.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 22.—John Mitchell called the United Mine Workers to order at 9 o'clock this morning.

The resolutions committee began reading the resolutions submitted by the different locals. Most of these resolutions demand wage increases ranging from 18 to 25 per cent, for the run of mine basis, for weighing coal on the miners' car, for smaller differentials, and for inside and outside common labor.

FRANCO-SIAMESE TREATY NOT TO BE SIGNED BEFORE AUGUST

PARIS, Jan. 22.—The Siamese government has agreed to further delay in signing the Franco-Siamese treaty until August in consequence of powerful French opposition to the treaty.

MORMONS NOTIFIED TO DEPART FROM PRUSSIAN SOIL

BERLIN, Jan. 22.—German opposition to Mormonism has again appeared. Several Mormons who have been advocating the tenets of their sect near Hanover have been notified that they must leave Prussia.

SINISTER PLAN IN "GET COAL" MEETING FEARED BY CITIZENS

No Arrangements Made for Its Entertainment.

Think That Proposed Washington Meeting Will Develop Political Movement.

An unexpected hitch has occurred in the arrangements for the coming to this city next Tuesday of the Detroit "Get Coal" convention. The business men of the city have developed a disinclination to make provision for the convention and are engaged in efforts to disentangle themselves from any connection with the movement. From present indications those delegates that arrive in the city next week will have to entertain themselves and make all of their own business arrangements.

A meeting of the board of directors of the Business Men's Association was held yesterday to consider the matter which had been brought to their attention in a communication to the president, W. F. Gude. Fears were then expressed that the convention might develop a political movement from which it might be advisable to keep aloof. O. G. Staples, secretary of the association, was appointed to confer with a similar one from the Board of Trade and determine what course of action should be pursued.

The committee is composed of W. F. Gude, Wilton J. Lambert, O. G. Staples, James F. Oyster, F. K. Raymond and Barry Bulkeley, the latter being a member by virtue of his office as secretary of the association.

Although the call that has been issued by Mayor Maybury announced that the convention would meet in Convention Hall, no engagement of that hall has yet been made and the manager yesterday informed Mr. Bulkeley that he had not even been approached on the subject.

Mr. Staples, at the meeting yesterday, tendered the use of the Washington Light Infantry Armory for the use of the convention should it be desired.

The original communication was addressed to John B. Daish, who was one of the delegates to the Detroit convention.

BODY OF ABBOTT'S MATE WASHED UP ON BEACH

Loss of Life in Wreck To Be Investigated by Government.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Jan. 22.—The body of L. H. Pierce, mate of the ship Abiel Abbott, was washed ashore near the Ship Bottom light station this morning.

The four survivors of the wrecked crew are getting along well at Ship Bottom life saving station.

Lieutenant Berthel, assistant Government inspector of the life saving service on the Jersey coast, left here this morning for Ship Bottom to make an investigation as to why there was any loss of life in the wreck.

RUSSIA OFFERS ASYLUM TO EXPULSED FRENCH ORDERS

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 22.—The Czar has extended to the monks and nuns expelled from France the right to settle in certain parts of Russia. As a result several monasteries and convents will shortly be erected in Siberia.

PUBLISHING COMPANY ASKS MANDAMUS WRIT

The Mercantile Adjuster Publishing Company, through its president, G. H. Ten Brook, today filed a petition in the District courts, asking that a writ of mandamus be issued against the Postmaster General, to compel him to admit their publication to the United States mails as second-class matter.

HOUSE AUTHORIZES PROBING LESSER BRIBERY CHARGES

Naval Committee to Proceed in Matter.

NAMES ARE STILL WITHHELD

Witnesses To Be Summoned and Compelled to Tell What They Know of Circumstances.

Immediately upon the opening of the House today Mr. Foss, chairman of the Committee on Naval Affairs, stating that he acted pursuant to the unanimous vote of the committee, presented a resolution providing for an investigation of the lesser charges of attempted bribery in connection with legislation relating to the purchase of Holland torpedo boats. The resolution read:

"Whereas information has come to the Committee on Naval Affairs through a member of said committee of an attempt to corruptly influence his action respecting proposed legislation before said committee and the House.

"Resolved, That the Committee on Naval Affairs or such subcommittee thereof as said committee may appoint be, and it is hereby, authorized and directed to fully investigate said matter, and for such purpose is hereby authorized and empowered to send persons and papers to compel the attendance of witnesses and to administer oaths; said committee shall have authority to report at any time and the expense incurred hereunder shall be paid out of the contingent fund of the House on vouchers, approved by the chairman."

Mr. Richardson, the minority leader, said the resolution contained no name, and in that shape was too vague and uncertain to warrant the House in ordering an investigation.

Mr. Foss replied that the committee had fully considered the question, and it was the unanimous belief in the committee that the name better not be given in the resolution.

Thereupon the resolution was agreed to without division.

COUNTERFEITER TRIES TO MURDER HIS NURSE

Uses Knife He Took From His Dinner Tray.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 22.—Cottone Vito, the alleged counterfeiter, who was shot in the back by Detective Richard Kelly while resisting arrest Saturday, was taken to the Central Police Station this morning, after an attempt to kill his nurse at the Mercy Hospital.

When his dinner was taken to him yesterday he slipped the knife from the tray and concealed it under the mattress of his bed. He used this weapon upon his attendant.

Four men were required to overpower him. The police have found eleven counterfeit bills passed by the gang.

DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE'S SON IN A FINANCIAL MUDDLE

Public Examination in Bankruptcy Case of Colonel Fitz George.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—A public examination into the affairs of Colonel Fitz George, son of the Duke of Cambridge, was held in the bankruptcy court today.

Colonel Fitz George said he owed £3,400. There were other liabilities amounting to £30,388. Those additional debts were contracted mainly in attempts to bolster up the two companies in which he was a director.

He had also signed a guarantee, he said, involving the payment of 8 per cent for over £12,000, though when he signed the guarantee he thought he had only incurred one payment.

CARRIAGE ORDERS FOR WHITE HOUSE RECEPTION

The following arrangements have been made for the White House reception to the judiciary tonight.

Carriages will approach from the north (Pennsylvania Avenue), on Fifteen-and-a-half Street, and enter on the east side of the White House, opposite the Treasury. Pedestrians will follow the same route.

The gates will not be open until 8:30 o'clock. Two carriages will drive under the porte-cochere at the same time. Coachmen will be provided with numbered tickets, which will be preserved by them in order to regain admittance to the grounds. Guests will also be provided with tickets of the same number as their carriages. These they should carefully preserve, in order to call their carriages.

Guests will depart (as well as arrive) on the east side of the White House, on Fifteen-and-a-half Street, opposite the Treasury.

Separate dressing rooms for ladies and gentlemen will be found at the lower end of the grand staircase.

After leaving cloaks in the cloakroom, guests are requested to pass up the grand staircase, and go to the left, through the private dining room.

CELEBRATES ARRIVAL OF BRITISH COAL LADEN SHIP

New Haven's City Government to Accord a Formal Welcome.

NEW HAVEN, Jan. 22.—The Oceana arrived in the night from Glasgow. She is the first coal steamer to be chartered by a co-operative coal company and to be brought from Europe to this country laden with the fuel.

She carries 4,000 tons of coal, which, it is expected, will be sufficient to break the famine in this city. According to the articles of incorporation, the coal will sell for less than \$8 a ton. What little coal is sold here at present brings from \$12 to \$20 a ton.

A big city government demonstration will be made late this afternoon. The mayor and a delegation from the board of aldermen will go down the harbor to formally welcome the steamer and sail aboard the boat to the dock, where she will be unloaded.

OUTING FOR ROOT.

Secretary Root will in all probability take a brief outing on the Sylph down the Potomac, probably starting tomorrow.

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QUAY'S HOPELESS TASK IN SENATE

Statehood Bill Doomed to Defeat by Brilliant Young Statesman from Indiana, Who Made Party's Fight.

OPERATORS HAVE WORK FOR MANY MORE MINERS

Supt. Mercur Could Employ Thirty Men.

OUTSIDE FOREMAN ON STAND

Thomas Thomas Says He Was Unable to Discharge Men Who Would Not Load Extra Cars.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 22.—Thomas Thomas, outside foreman of the Exeter colliery, was the first witness before the coal strike commission today. Questioned by Francis I. Gowen, he said:

"Prior to the strike of 1900 we found no difficulty in securing men to load extra cars. In fact, the men often asked for more cars. After the union was formed not a man could be found to load an extra car, no matter how great the need."

Witness said he was unable to discharge men who would not load over three cars, because it would cause a strike.

Mercur Recalled.

R. S. Mercur, a district superintendent, was recalled to the stand for cross-examination. It was the testimony of this witness that led to Judge Gray's criticism of the miners' union methods yesterday. Mr. Mercur stated that he thought ten hours made a fair day's work underground, but that few miners worked more than four or five hours.

"If we send you men out of work, can you employ them, as you told Mr. Gray yesterday?"

"Yes. I can put thirty men at the Central colliery alone to work, mostly on culm piles."

As demonstrated by yesterday's vote the combination Mr. Quay has formed with the Democrats is strong enough numerically to hold the Senate by the throat for some time yet. This means that until the Quay-Bailey pact wears itself out by its own violent exertions no further legislation can be enacted by the Fifty-seventh Congress. Every measure of the Administration for the good of the country and the strengthening of the Republican party will be held in abeyance. Neither anti-trust legislation nor Cuban reciprocity can be put through. This is taken as a clear indication that back of the Quay-Bailey pact are massed powerful influences that are not so anxious for the admission of Arizona and New Mexico to Statehood as they are for the prevention of anti-trust and Cuban reciprocity legislation.

It is plain that the solution of the whole question is in the hands of the Republican steering committee of the Senate. In other words, the steering committee can so control the Senate calendar as to replace the obstructive Statehood bill with appropriation bills and other emergency measures from time to time, and by pursuing this course leave the omnibus bill high in the air when the session expires by limitation, March 4. But if this were done, it is pointed out, anti-trust legislation and Cuban reciprocity also would go by the board. As the Republican steering committee heartily favors both of these propositions, it is not considered as likely that the Quay-Bailey combine will be permitted to work its scheme for the defeat of the Administration's program. Hence it is probable that within a few days Senator Beveridge, representing the steering committee, will spring a surprise that will confuse the combine and pave the way for anti-trust legislation and Cuban reciprocity.

LONG NOW ASSURED OF NOMINATION AS SENATOR

Stanley Withdraws After Three Ballots—Followers Swing Over.

TOPEKA, Kans., Jan. 22.—The Republican caucus for the nomination of a United States Senator last night took three ballots without result, and then adjourned until tonight. The following was the vote:

Long, 14; Curtis, 36; Stanley, 29; Caldwell, 12; Bowersock, 6.

Shortly after adjournment of the caucus ex-Governor Stanley announced his withdrawal from the race. Following the withdrawal of Stanley, Representative Bowersock got out of the race.

Then the twenty-nine Stanley men pledged themselves to vote for Long. This gives Long 73 votes in the caucus, or 10 more than enough to elect.

ENGINEER AND FIREMAN FATALLY HURT IN WRECK

Several Other Trainmen Injured—Rear-End Collision.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Jan. 22.—A rear-end collision between two Southern Railway passenger trains occurred on the Asheville branch near Hickory, fifty miles from Asheville, this morning. A caboose and a number of passenger cars were wrecked. Engineer Tom Fisher and fireman John E. Smith were killed. Several other trainmen were injured.

CRUM'S NOMINATION.

The Senate Committee on Commerce at 3 o'clock this afternoon took up the discussion of the nomination of W. D. Crum, a negro, to be collector of the port at Charleston, S. C.